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# SHERIFF LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

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## MISSION

The mission of the Sheriff's Office is to enforce the laws established under the Statutes of North Carolina by maintaining public safety, serving civil process, transporting prisoners, providing court security and running a constitutionally safe and secure Detention Facility. Furthermore, the Sheriff's Office is dedicated to receiving National Accreditation from Law Enforcement and Detention Service Organizations. The Office of the Sheriff is also dedicated in fulfilling these duties by providing education, eradication and treatment where needed to reduce crime in Durham County.

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Sheriff's Office is responsible for providing public safety and law enforcement services in Durham County. The agency is divided into four major divisions, which are the Detention Facility, Operations, Support Services and Planning and Development.

Detention Services is responsible for the administration and operation of the county's detention facilities. The Operations division includes sections of Patrol, Communications, Community Services (DARE, SRO, Crisis Intervention), Crime Analysis, Fleet Maintenance, SCOPE (Sheriff's Community Policing Enforcement), Records, Permits, Warrants, and Search/Recovery Team. The Support Services division has the following areas: Detective Division, SAC/NARC Unit, Internal Affairs, Civil Process, Court Security, Transportation, Training, Administrative Information Desk, Accreditation, Pistol Team, Honor Guard and Negotiations Response Team. The Planning and Development division is responsible for Budget and Fiscal Management, Management Information Systems, Property and Evidence Control, Purchasing, Inventory Control, Promotional Process and Grant Development/Administration. There is a Professional Standards division responsible for accreditation, internal affairs, fleet management, and property/evidence control. This division also has the Sheriff's Legal Advisor.

## 2002-03 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Implemented the G.R.E.A.T (Gang Resistance Education & Awareness Training) program in the Durham Public Schools.

- Implemented a "Calls for Service" link on the agency web site to provide residents the capability to view officer activities during the past twenty-four (24) hours or thirty (30) days.
- Developed and implemented a vehicle management database to monitor fleet maintenance service and costs.
- Utilized volunteers, community-service workers and interns to subsidize the increase workload resulting from budget cuts and mandates that are not funded.
- Replaced aging vehicle fleet and related equipment to control maintenance costs and maintain effectiveness of the fleet.
- Identified and secured additional revenue sources such as Supplemental Security Income, SCAAP, and ATF G.R.E.A.T funding.
- Sheriff Worth Hill was elected Vice President of the North Carolina Sheriff's Association.
- Conducted fundraisers to provide seven (7) \$1,000 dollar scholarships to high school seniors.
- Assigned an officer to work collaboratively with the Durham Public School system to coordinate and manage efforts to reduce incidents of school violence.
- Assigned a full-time detective to address the increasing number of computer crime and Internet fraud cases.

## 2003-04 OBJECTIVES

- Replace aging vehicle fleet and related equipment to control maintenance costs and maintain effectiveness of the fleet.
- Seek and receive national accreditation for the Sheriff's Office Hazardous Devices Unit.
- Expand the instruction of the G.R.E.A.T. curriculum by transitioning from D.A.R.E to G.R.E.A.T in the elementary schools serviced by the Sheriff's Office.
- Improve and increase courtroom safety and security in the Durham County Judicial Building and Judicial Annex Building.
- Update agency web site to include an "Incarceration Report" link to allow public viewing of incarcerated individuals within the detention facility.
- Explore and secure additional revenue sources
- Utilize volunteers, community services and interns to subsidize the increase workload

resulting from un-funded mandates and budget cuts.